

REMARKS

Claims 1-4 and 6-19 remain pending in this application with claims 1, 6 and 19 being amended and claim 5 being cancelled by this response.

Objection to the Disclosure

The disclosure is objected to as claim 19 does not end with a period. Claim 19 has been amended to correct a typographical error and insert a period at the end thereof. In view of the amendments to claim 19, it is respectfully submitted that this objection is satisfied and should be withdrawn.

Rejection of Claims 9, 10, 12 and 18 under 35 USC 112, second paragraph

Claims 9, 10, 12 and 18 are rejected under 35 USC 112, second paragraph as being indefinite. The claims have been amended in accordance with the comments of the Examiner to provide antecedent basis for all terms contained therein. In view of the above remarks and amendments to the claims, it is respectfully submitted that this rejection is satisfied and should be withdrawn.

Rejection of Claims 1-4, 7-13, 16, 18 and 19 under 35 USC 103(a)

Claims 1-4, 7-13, 16, 18 and 19 are rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Lee et al. in view of Suzuki et al. Claim 5 has been indicated as allowable. Claim 1 has been amended to include the limitations of claim 5 and thus claim 1 is also allowable. Claim 5 has been cancelled. Claims 2-4, 7-13, 16, 18 and 19 are dependent on claim 1 and thus are also allowable. In view of the amendments to claim 1, the cancellation of claim 5 and the dependence of claims 2-4, 7-13, 16, 18 and 19 on claim 1, it is respectfully submitted that this rejection is satisfied and should be withdrawn.

Rejection of Claims 14, 15 and 17 under 35 USC 103(a)

Claims 14, 15 and 17 are rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Lee et al. in view of Suzuki et al. and Mayer, Jr. et al. Claim 5 has been indicated as allowable. Claim 1 has been amended to include the limitations of claim 5 and thus claim 1 is also allowable. Claim 5 has been cancelled. Claims 14, 15 and 17 are dependent on claim 1 and thus are also allowable. In view of the amendments to claim 1, the cancellation of claim 5 and the dependence of claims 14, 15 and 17 on claim 1, it is respectfully submitted that this rejection is satisfied and should be withdrawn.

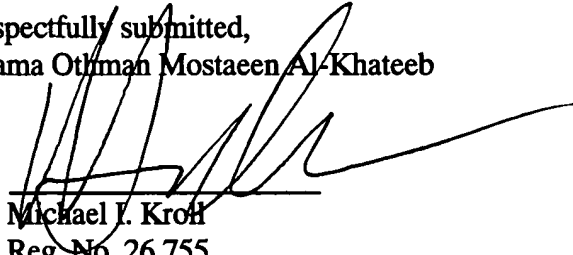
As all claims now pending are allowable, it is respectfully requested that this application now be allowed to issue.

Should the Examiner consider necessary or desirable any formal changes anywhere in the specification, claims and/or drawings, then it is respectfully asked that such changes be made by Examiner's amendment, if the Examiner feels this would facilitate passage of the case to issuance.

Alternatively, should the Examiner have any questions, comments, or feel that a personal discussion might be helpful in advancing this case to allowance and issuance, he is cordially invited to contact Mr. Michael Kroll, Esq. at 171 Stillwell Lane, Syosset, New York 11791, telephone number (516) 367-7777, so that the present application can receive an early notice of allowance. The address and telephone number for Michael I. Kroll stated above is as listed on the original Power of Attorney.

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